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REMARKS

Claims 38-68, 80-83 and 90-100 are pending in the present application.

In the Office Action dated October 3, 2008, the Examiner has added a further requirement to the election of species by essentially adding a fourth specie, which is the embodiment that is shown in Figure 26, to the requirement previously made on May 19, 2008:

Species 1: the embodiment shown in Figures 1-8;

Species 2: the embodiment shown in Figures 9-19;

Species 3: the embodiment shown in Figures 20-25; and

Species 4: the embodiment shown in Figure 26.

For purposes of examination, Applicant elects Species 3, directed to the embodiment shown in Figures 20-25 of which, claims 38-41, 43-45, 47-48, 50-51, 53-54, 56, 58-64, 66-67 and 90-99 are readable thereon. Applicant believes there is no generic claim.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Paul T. Sewell, Reg. No. 61,784 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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